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IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claim 4.

Amend claims 1, 6 and 15 as follows, the amendment being shown by underlining and brackets in an Appendix hereto:

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1. (Thrice Amended) Transdermal therapeutic system comprising a backing layer, at least one nicotine-containing layer or zone, and an additive comprising at least one monoterpene ketone, wherein the content of at least one monoterpene ketone in the nicotine-containing layer or zone is 0.1 to 5.0%-wt of the weight of the layer or zone.

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6. (Thrice Amended) Process for masking an unpleasant smell, caused by the presence of nicotine, comprising adding to a nicotine-containing layer or zone of a nicotine-containing transdermal therapeutic system, 0.1 to 5.0%-wt, based on the weight of the layer or zone, of at least one monoterpene ketone.

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15. (Twice Amended) Transdermal therapeutic system according to claim 1, wherein the content of the at least one monoterpene ketone in the nicotine-containing layer or zone is 0.5-2%-wt of the weight of the layer or zone.

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